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TOPIC Air Force Observations in peenemuende

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REMARKS

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1. Some freest (N 55/P 93) residents who worked in the Peenemuende (N 55/P 83) power plant were taken from Wolgast (N 55/P 92) to Peenemuende by a tractor every morning. The same laborers had worked in Peenemuende during the war. A large motor-boat with a mounted searchlight patrolled between the coast and Peenemuende.
2. Three Soviet conventional fighters with radial engine and extended landing gear were seen over Peenemuende on 24 March 1950.
3. The border of the Peenemuende restricted area ran along the perimeter of Karlshagen (N 55/P 92) and then across the entire island. Part of Karlshagen had to be evacuated and only farmers were permitted to remain. Most of the restricted area was guarded by Soviet Air Force personnel or Soviet Zone German police.
4. The following was observed from the border of the restricted area the night of 23 March 1950:*

An estimated 16 to 18 fighters practiced flying between 10:15 p.m. and 12:40 a.m. Two unusually strong searchlights were in operation during that period. Two powerful and narrow beams of light flashed over a long distance for 6 to 8 seconds at

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at 2:40 and 3:55 a.m., probably from Peenemuende, but no detonations were heard.*

5. Many Soviet Air Force officers, including several groups of colonels and majors, were seen in Karls-
hagen and Zinnowitz (N 55/L 02).* There were no
indications of the production of V-weapons through
personal observation or interrogation of local
residents.**

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~~Comment.~~ The information on the restricted
area is known. The most essential statement is the
report of night flying. It is therefore assumed
that the two fighter regiments stationed in Peene-
muende are also used as night fighters. The degree
of re-equipment of the two fighter regiments is not
clear. The presence of jet planes is assumed from
the observed arrival of a train loaded with aircraft
crates. The appearance of many high air force offi-
cers accounts for the presence of a fighter division
headquarters.

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~~Comment.~~ The information again confirms the
opinion that V-weapons are not produced in Peenemuende.

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